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BALLOON TRIP ENDS
WITHOUT A MISHAPChandler and McCoy Land in
West Virginia.

TELL OF LONG JOURNEY

Aeronauts in Fear of Storm in
the Alleghenies.

Drop Anchor Rope Near Weston,
Which Is Caught by People Fol-
lowing Airlship for Miles—Big Bag
Safely Packed and Shipped—Cap-
t. Chandler Sleeps Only Fifteen Min-
utes During the Long Journey.

Facts in Record Balloon Race.

The prize—Lamson Competition Cup.
The winner—Balloon No. 10, United States
Signal Corps.
Aeronauts—Capt. Charles de Forest Chan-
dler and J. C. McCoy.
Left St. Louis, Mo., 4:30 p. m., Thurs-
day.
Landed near Walton, W. Va., Saturday,
10:30 a. m.
Length of flight—33 hours and 20 minutes.
Distance of flight—475 miles.
Former record, 402 miles, by Lieut. Lahn,
in race from London to Paris.

Assisted by the willing hands of hundreds
of farmers and townspeople, balloon No.
10, of the United States Signal Corps,
bearing Aeronauts Chandler and McCoy,
came down three miles from Walton, W.
Va., at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon,
after a record-breaking flight.

Major Edgar R. Russell, acting Chief
Signal Officer of the army, was much re-
lieved yesterday afternoon when he re-
ceived a telegram from Capt. Charles de
Forest Chandler, of the Balloon Signal
Corps, telling of his safe landing, with
his companion, J. C. McCoy, after a suc-
cessful flight of 475 miles, from St. Louis
to Walton, W. Va., without a single mis-
hap or accident of any kind.

There was considerable apprehension as
to the safety of the balloonists, not only
in this city, but in St. Louis, when both
places failed to hear from them, but this
was entirely dispelled by yesterday's tid-
ings.

Followed by Thousands.

The alighting of the balloon was
picturesque in the extreme. As it
floated gracefully over Roane County,
coming nearer and nearer to the earth,
the farmers and country folk turned
out in swarms. It was a sight never
before seen by them, and they followed
the gradually descending balloon for
miles, going up hill and down dale,
through fences and over streams. It
had been sighted from Walton, too, and
many of the townspeople turned out
and gave chase, each putting forth his
or her best efforts to be in at the
finish. Capt. Chandler later comment-
ed laughingly on the scene as wit-
nessed from the balloon, saying it was
humorous in the extreme to watch the
farmers and field hands, their wives
and children, all running across coun-
try with faces turned up to the sun,
"feet frequently caught in underbrush,
or unexpected obstructions," he said,
"and their owners went sprawling.
Undaunted, however, by these mishaps,
they were on their feet again in a
minute, doing their best to make up
for the lost time. Once the anchor
rope was down, they redoubled their
efforts in a mad scramble to see who
would be the first to reach it. Mr.
McCoy and myself leaned from the
basket and gave encouragement to
their efforts, and once they caught the
rope, it was but a short while before
they brought us rapidly down. It is
safe to say that not a farm or miles
around was tenanted, even the trusted
watchdogs joining in the chase."

Landed in Underbrush.

When the big gas bag trailed within a
few feet of the earth, Capt. Chandler and
his companion jumped lightly to the
ground and directed the efforts of their
scores upon scores of assistants in land-
ing the "contraption" safe and sound.
It was brought down in thick underbrush;
but, through the strenuous efforts of the
country folk, it was extricated and packed
without a scratch.

Walton is in the mountains, about twenty-
five miles north of Charleston, W. Va.,
and it was owing to the fact that neither
Capt. Chandler nor his companion wished
to leave the balloon for a moment that
word was not had from them sooner.
There was no telegraph station or rail-
road station within miles of them, and it
was necessary to pack the balloon and
transport it all the way to Charleston.
In this, too, they were generously aided by
the mountaineers.

Big Bag Safely Packed.

After Capt. Chandler and Mr. McCoy
had emptied the bag of gas, it was with
some little difficulty disentangled from
the underbrush, and rolled and packed
for transportation. Every rope and guy
line was carefully straightened and coiled,
the basket and its contents "condensed,"
and the whole loaded on wagons. "There
was not a man in the crowd that did not
volunteer a team. The trip to Charle-
ston, Capt. Chandler said, reminded him
of the stories and fancies of his early
days, when the emigrant trains would
their way through Cumberland Gap.
After wiring Washington, the two aeri-
nauts supervised the loading of the bal-
loon on a train for St. Louis. They were
given a rousing send-off by those who had
followed them all the way from Walton.
It is expected that they will arrive in
St. Louis to-day.

Story of the Flight.

In speaking of the trip before leaving
Walton, Capt. Chandler said:
"If severe weather had not been en-
countered toward the end of the flight,
when the buoyancy of the balloon was
decreasing, we might have gone far in
excess of the 475 miles established as the
new world's record. Neither of us suf-

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Look Out! Prices of Lumber Much Lower.
Frank Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. ave.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia
and Maryland—Fair to-day and
to-morrow; light to fresh westerly
winds.

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

Pages. TELEGRAPHIC.
1—Chaotic Politics in New York.
1—Naval Officer Proves a Hero.
1—Fish Gaining in Votes.
1—Morse Out of New York Banks.
3—Bryan to Speak Before Tammany.
2—Roosevelt Starts for Home.
6—Statue of Gen. Sigel Unveiled.
6—Episcopal Convention Ends.
6—News of Maryland and Virginia.
7—Boy Makes 4,000-Mile Trip Alone.
7—Mrs. Eddy to Have an Understudy.

LOCAL.

1—District Budget Calls for \$13,000,000.
1—Airlship Lands Near Walton, W. Va.
2—Brothers Meet After Fifty Years.
2—Connecticut Foot Guards in Capital.
2—Secretary Root Returns Home.
2—Panama Canal May Be Widened.
8—Rabbi Loeb Supports Prohibition.

HERO SAVES CREW;
MAIMED FOR LIFELieut. Cronan Prevents Ex-
plosion on Connecticut.

ACT COSTS TWO FINGERS

Makes Sacrifice Without Hesita-
tion to Save Lives.

Thrusts Hand Into Closing Breech
of Big Gun, at Target Practice Off
Cape Cod, Just as Great Charge
of Powder Was About to Be Ignited.
Saves Admiral Evans' Flagship
from the Fate of the Georgia.

New York, Oct. 19.—Lieut. William
Pigott Cronan, of Admiral Evans' flag-
ship Connecticut, is a modest hero. He
saved the lives of the gun crew in the
after starboard turret at target practice
off Cape Cod, the other day, by thrust-
ing his hand in the smoking chamber of
an 8-inch gun, and preventing the block
from closing on naked powder. When
asked how it was that two of his fingers
on the right hand were cut off as if by
a knife, the young lieutenant is very
likely to snap out that it is nobody's
business.

The fatal explosion on the battle ship
Georgia, a few weeks ago, was caused by
the breech block closing on loose powder
within the breech, according to the belief
of the naval board of inquiry. It was
to prevent a repetition of just such an
accident on the Connecticut that led
Lieut. Cronan to stay the closing of the
breech block of the 8-inch gun by insert-
ing his fingers in the breech grooves just
as the heavy butt of metal was swinging
into place. When they swung back the
breech block, the fragments of his first
and index fingers, severed at the first
joint, were found ground into the grooves.

The Connecticut had joined the rest of
the squadron in target practice at Cape
Cod last week, and all of the eight-inch
guns were being worked. The firing was
fast, it being a part of the test that the
guns should be used as rapidly and as
accurately as possible, and an order to
outfit the sailors on the other ships that
were engaged in the practice, the Con-
necticut's men were working fast to load,
train, and fire the four big tubes in the
starboard and port turrets.

Of the eight men who were working under
command of Lieut. Cronan, two worked
the powder hoist from the magazine
below, two luffed the bags of powder
into the breech after the heavy shell
had been placed, and one man swung
back and locked the breech for firing.

Big Gun Was Hot.

The gun got so hot that it was diffi-
cult to place a hand on the breech
without blistering it. The men with the
water swabs kept the temperature down
to the safety point inside the chamber,
but even at that it was almost hot
enough to flash powder, and a little fric-
tion would have been enough to set off
any spare grain.

The breech block had just been thrown
back and two bags of powder had been
placed behind the projectile. The men
placed a third bag in the chamber, but
there must have been a tear in this bag,
for just as it was put into position Lieut.
Cronan saw some grains of powder lying
loose on the threads of the breech lock.
The least friction of the breech block
in closing on these grains of powder
would have flashed them, and then the
entire chamber would have exploded.
The lieutenant cried out for the man at
the breech block to stop; but the gunner
had thrown all his strength against the
massive piece of metal, and it was swing-
ing on its oiled hinges to the threads in
the breech. In the instant, Lieut. Cronan
jumped to the breech and thrust his
fingers into the narrowing crack be-
tween the block of steel and the ridged
lock. There was a soft thud, and the
lieutenant brought his hand away with
blood streaming from the stumps of his
fingers. The block stopped within a half-
inch of the loose powder grains.

When the modest lieutenant was found
on the flagship this afternoon and asked
to tell about how he lost his fingers, he
abruptly turned on his heel and went
downstairs to his quarters.

"Forget it," he said, as his head disap-
peared down the companion-way.

One Dead, 18 Hurt in Train Crash.
Chicago, Oct. 19.—Eighteen passengers
were injured and L. Larsen, a locomotive
fireman, was killed to-night when an
outbound suburban train for Desplaines
and an inbound train from Glenview
crashed together. G. F. Meyers, the
block signal operator, whose mistake is
said to have caused the wreck, was ar-
rested.

Flooring (very good), \$2.00 Per 100 Ft.
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IN EMPIRE STATEMen of Both Parties All at
Sea as to Future.

HUGHES STILL GROWING

Bryan's Friends Alert and Chan-
ler Boomers Active.

Roosevelt's Strength with the Masses
of the People Generally Admitted,
but Some Democrats Believe That
If He Accepts Nomination He Will
Lose His Own State and Go Down
to Ignominious Defeat.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Oct. 19.—The near approach
of Presidential year finds political con-
ditions in the Empire State decidedly
complex, if not absolutely chaotic.

Never before immediately preceding a
national canvass was unity of action so
utterly lacking apparently in both the
great parties. The pending local cam-
paign is receiving but scant attention in
the press. The fusion between Herbert
Parsons' Republican organization and
William Randolph Hearst's Independence
League is nevertheless fraught with much
deeper significance than appears on the
surface.

The wisdom of such an alliance is not
seen by the shrewd men of the Republi-
can party. If the fusion should win, com-
plications would ensue tending in all
probability to handicap the Republicans
and embarrass their organization in both
city and State.

Defeat for the fusion forces would
mean the more formidable intrenchment
of Tammany than at any time since
Crocker was in the heyday of his power.
It would mean, further, the elimination
of the Independence League as a real
political factor, although it might con-
tinue to be a disturbing element.

The universal belief at this time is that
the fusion ticket will be overwhelmingly
defeated.

Hughes Stronger than Roosevelt.
There is but one Republican of promi-
nence in the State upon whom the party
could unite—Gov. Charles E. Hughes. He,
going about his business in a thoroughly
business-like and disinterested way, is
constantly growing in strength and popu-
larity.

His speech last night, in which he
made no reference to the fusion ticket
and announced that he was seeking
nothing at the hands of his party,
added to his prestige, and in the opin-
ion of sober-minded Republicans, served
to emphasize his availability
and leadership.

Nobody questions the strength of
Roosevelt with the people. The masses
unquestionably are in full sympathy with
him and his policies. But Hughes really
appears to have even a greater strength.
He not only has the masses behind him,
but the moneyed influences as well. He is
strong with both the radicals and the
conservatives. In business circles, al-
though the recent scandalous dis-
losures have had a most injurious ef-
fect, the utmost faith is still in Hughes'
sense of fairness and justice. His
methods are approved. They are not
spectacular and disquieting. If Roose-
velt be not nominated to succeed him-
self—and it is generally recognized that
he can have the nomination if he
will take it—then Hughes is looked
upon as the most available Republican
in the country to-day.

Democrats Widely Apart.
There is much activity among the
Democrats, but it is an ill-directed
activity. In the main, that simply goes
to show from day to day how widely
at variance Democratic views continue
to be. Some little time ago confer-
ences were held by Democrats of the
Cleveland school in the hope that con-
ditions might be brought about per-
mitting the nomination of a conserva-
tive candidate in 1908. Judge George
Gray, of Delaware, was favored in these
conferences, and later the availability
of Richard Olney, of Massachusetts,
and David R. Francis, of Missouri, re-
ceived consideration. But the more
these conservative Democrats, repre-
senting the moneyed or corporate in-
terests, analyzed the situation, the more
clearly the truth was forced upon them
that such a type of man could not
possibly be nominated at this time and,
if nominated, could not hope to be
elected, with the tide of radicalism
running so strong.

Recognize Bryan's Hold.

William Jennings Bryan is less popular
in New York City than in almost any
other section of the country. His gov-
ernment ownership speech, upon his re-
turn from his trip around the world,
dampened the ardor of those New York-
ers who were becoming reconciled toward
him and who believed that time was
modifying his views. But even these
Democrats frankly admit that Bryan is
stronger than any other Democrat—
a million votes stronger, perhaps, in the
country at large—and that it is not with-
in his power, if he were ever so dis-
posed, to transfer this following to any
other candidate. No doubt is felt that
Bryan will carry the party standard.
The announcement of his candidacy is
expected in a short time. He has agents
here, devoted personal and political
friends, who are alert to his interests
and who are keeping in touch with the
political sentiment in every State. His
coming speech is expected to demon-
strate anew the popular hold he has
upon the people.

Booming Lieut. Gov. Chanler.

The concerted effort by shrewd New
York Democrats to create a Presidential
boom for Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler,
lieutenant governor of the State, who
made such a remarkable race on the
ticket with Hearst last year, is daily
watched with more seriousness. There
is no doubt that Chanler is a man of
great ability and high character, and
that he is a natural leader. His
popularity is growing, and he is be-
coming a factor in the political situa-
tion. His friends are active, and he is
expected to be a strong candidate for
the governorship in 1910.

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Photographs of the Old Folks.
Have taken them at the Palace Studio,
923 F st., any time this week.

No. 1 Cypress Shingles, \$5.50 Per 1,000.
Frank Libbey & Co., 6th and N. Y. ave.

THE LATEST WASHINGTON CRAZE.



MORSE QUILTS BANKS

Resigns from Boards of Fi-
nancial Institutions.

ACTION WAS PROBABLY FORCED

Financier's Retirement Followed
Suspicion that Attempt Was Being
Made to Control Mercantile Na-
tional—Thomas Compelled to Re-
linquish Interest in Consolidated.

New York, Oct. 19.—The practical
elimination of F. Augustus Heinze and
his brothers, Otto C. and Arthur P.
Heinze, from the banking situation in
this city was followed to-day by the
resignation of Charles W. Morse from
the board of every bank and trust
company of which he was a member
in this city.

Mr. Morse's resignation was tendered
after the clearing-house committee had
put examiners at work on the Na-
tional Bank of North America and the
New Amsterdam National Bank, the
two largest institutions with which
Mr. Morse was connected. Mr. Morse
thus took himself out or was taken
out of the banking business in this
city.

In addition, Messrs. Thomas,
Orlando F. and Edward R., who were
associated with the Heinzes and Mr.
Morse in the control of the Mercantile,
it was announced, will be separated
from their control of the Consolidated
National Bank in the near future.

The retirement of Mr. Morse followed
what the many bankers in the clearing
house consider an attempt to retain con-
trol of the Mercantile National by put-
ting comptroller of the Currency William
R. Hedges forward as a candidate for
president and securing clearing-house
support for the institution.

In this strategic move Mr. Morse, so
prominent bankers said to-day, expected
to keep himself in the background, and
through bankers prominent in the clear-
ing house extended to the institution
financial support, to secure for himself
the actual domination of the institution.
By bankers prominent in the clearing-
house Mr. Morse was criticised very bit-
terly to-day for this bit of financial poli-
tics.

Resignation Is Announced.

Mr. Morse resigned first from the Van
Norden Trust Company. That resigna-
tion was announced before the close of
the market to-day. At no time has Mr.
Morse controlled this trust company, and
it was currently reported that his resi-
gnation was given because it was requested
by the controlling interests in the insti-
tution. Officers of the Van Norden Trust
Company refused to make the slightest
explanation of the reason for his resigna-
tion.

The other resignations were announced
by President Curtis, of the National Bank
of North America, while the clearing
house banking examiners, under the
supervision of William A. Nash, president
of the Corn Exchange National Bank and
acting chairman of the clearing house
committee, were concluding their exami-
nation into the affairs of both the Na-
tional Bank of North America and the
New Amsterdam National Bank.

Mr. Morse remained at the National
Bank of North America from early in
the morning until 9:30 o'clock to-night,
denying himself to all inquirers. As he
left the bank he declared that the insti-
tution was perfectly solvent, but be-
lieved that he refused to discuss the con-
dition of the institution with which he
is connected, or the banking situation
may be.

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While Saving Your Money
Why not be drawing interest thereon?
Banking dept. of Union Trust Co., 1414 F
st., pays interest on all accounts. De-
posits subject to check at any time.

IT MAY BE PATTERSON.

Newspaper Correspondent Con-
sidered for Bank's Presidency.

There was a well-founded rumor in
Washington last night to the effect that
Raymond Patterson, Washington corre-
spondent of the Chicago Tribune, one of
the best-known newspaper men in the
United States, had been offered the presi-
dency of the Mercantile National Bank, of
New York, the institution involved in the
Heinze smash.

No confirmation of this report could be
had, for the reason that Mr. Patterson is
in New York.
Mr. Patterson is well versed in economic
and financial matters, and is a deep stu-
dent of all questions pertaining to them.
His studies have been given wide scope
through his newspaper work, and it is
believed by his friends in this city that he
is the logical man for the place.

CEASES PAYING BONUS.

Western Union Will No Longer Give
Inducements to Men.

New York, Oct. 19.—The bonus paid by
the Western Union Telegraph Company to
its employees since the strike was dis-
continued beginning at midnight last
night, but overtime pay and double time
for extra work are to be continued until
further notice. The bonus was double
pay for regular work.

For the last two days the strike lead-
ers have been asserting that United
States Labor Commissioner Neill has
been commissioned by President Roose-
velt to come here and settle the strike.
Head strategist Russell made a positive
statement to that effect. Mr. Neill ar-
rived to-day, and registered at the Fifth
Avenue Hotel, but would not say what
the object of his visit was.

COURT CIRCLES PLOT MURDERS

Premier Makes Startling Report Ex-
cusing Police Inefficiency.Takes Life in Own Hands to Place
the Responsibility for the
Hideous Crimes.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 19.—Premier Stolypin
is investigating charges that men too
powerful for the police to cope with are
responsible for many of the crimes—run-
ning all the way from robbery and in-
dividual murders to indiscriminate mas-
sacres—which are terrorizing Russia.
Rumor has it that the inquiry may lead
to quarters where the premier himself
will think it unsafe to give offense.
Hints of the real situation have been
reaching Mr. Stolypin for a long time. No
formal accusation was made, however,
until the premier telegraphed to Prefect
Novitski, of Odessa, where more out-
rages have occurred than in any other
city in the empire, to restore order at
any cost.

The prefect replied that he has al-
ready done everything in his power,
but that the secret societies, through
which most of the crimes are com-
mitted, are backed by persons high in
official and court life; that they pro-
tect their agents, corrupt or overawe
the courts when arrests are made, and
are too strong themselves to be dealt
with.

Whether names were mentioned is
uncertain. In any event, it is con-
sidered that the prefect took his life
in his hands when he made so start-
ling a report, and the general opinion
is that he stands small chance of mak-
ing good his charges; however true
they may be.

The Belknap Sale at Sloan's.
1407 G st., Wednesday, Thursday, and Fri-
day, October 23, 24, 25. Fine furnishings
and antique mahogany furniture, the per-
sonal effects of Mrs. W. W. Belknap,
widow of the late Gen. W. W. Belknap.
Everything at unrestricted public auction.
Exhibition Monday and Tuesday. Get
catalogue.

FISH GAINS VOTES

Deposed President Forges
Ahead in Railroad War.

HARRIMAN LEAVES CHICAGO

Motion of Laiter Unexpectedly Gives
Proxies to Opponent at Brief Ses-
sion of Illinois Central Stockhold-
ers—Harriman Asks Advice, and Is
Forbidden by Cromwell to Talk.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—To-day's meeting of
the Illinois Central stockholders was ad-
journing within five minutes after it was
called to order, to meet Monday morning
at 11 o'clock. The count of votes has now
gone through the list of stockholders to
the letter "R." It also has included the
letter "W," to which the tellers skipped
on motion of the Harriman side, early
this morning. To whatever the intention
of this picking out of the "W" list may
have been due, the result was that Mr.
Fish gained more than 5,000 votes. The
European proxies have also been counted
and tabulated.

The result, roughly stated, of all the
votes now counted is that, excluding
the 28,731 enjoined shares of the Harri-
man side, Mr. Fish leads by about 20,000
shares. And this does not count the New
England proxies, made out in the name of
Charles M. Beach, of Hartford, who has
10,000 or so proxies which will be voted
for Mr. Fish and his candidates; but both
sides have held back proxies, it is be-
lieved, to be sprung at the last minute.

Attendance Falls Off.

There was a great falling off to-day in
the number of shareholders who attended
the meeting. Last Wednesday there were
400 in the room; to-day there were scarce-
ly 100. Mr. Harriman, Charles A. Pea-
body, and one or two others of the Harri-
man forces went back to New York to-
day before the meeting. Mr. Harriman,
William Nelson Cromwell, and other Harri-
man lawyers, as well as all of the Fish
crowd, remained in Chicago.

There was considerable amusement over
Mr. Harriman's method of calling the
meeting to order. He leaned over to Mr.
Cromwell, and, in a hoarse whisper,
asked, "What do you want me to say?"
Mr. Cromwell, who at that moment was
very busy, said brusquely:
"You just strike on the table with that
gavel. I will do whatever talking is nec-
essary."

LONGWORTH AS AMBASSADOR.

Reported at Berlin that Representa-
tive Will Succeed Tower.

London, Oct. 19.—The Berlin correspon-
dent of the Observer sends the following:
"There is a persistent report in the
American colony that President Roose-
velt's daughter, Mrs. Longworth, will
shortly be sent to Germany to preside
over the United States Embassy—that is,
her husband, Congressman Nicholas
Longworth, will succeed Mr. Charles
Tower, who recently resigned as the
American Ambassador to Germany."

KILLS WIFE, THEN SLAYS SELF.

Jealousy Prompts Chicago Man to
Commit Double Crime.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Jealousy, aroused by
the frequency of his wife's visit to a
dentist, to-day prompted C. E. Burch to
kill the woman and then turn his re-
volver upon himself.

Both were dead when neighbors burst
in the door. Burch had returned to-day
from a trip to Louisville.

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At Eckstein's from 12 to 3. 1412 N. Y. ave.

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Baltimore and Ohio R. R.
Every Saturday and Sunday. All trains,
both ways, both days, except Royal Lim-
ousine, City offices, 1417 G st. and 619 Pa.
ave.

BUDGET CALLS FOR
THIRTEEN MILLIONSCommissioners Fix Sum for
Operating City Affairs.

ASK BIG APPROPRIATION

Nearly Five Million Wanted for
Education Board.

This Item Heads List Under Extraor-
dinary Improvements, the Exact
Figures Being \$1,936,000, Needed
as the Beginning of Project to Put
Schools in Proper Physical Shape.
Cite Other Necessary Expenditures.

Total budget, \$13,667,266.25.
For extraordinary improvements, \$3,-
291,350.

Interest and sinking fund, \$975,408.
Net current needs for year, \$9,400,508.
Total estimated revenue for next fiscal
year, \$5,911,930.

Legal appropriation fund under or-
ganic act, on basis of half District and
half government funds, \$10,622,060.

More than \$12,000,000 is needed for the
operation of the government of the city
of Washington for the next fiscal year.
In round numbers the exact sum in dol-
lars and cents is \$13,667,266.25.

The Commissioners yesterday complet-
ed their budget and announced the total
figure, which is something like \$3,000,000
more than was appropriated last year
for the present fiscal year. The total
includes the money necessary to meet
the expenditures for the extraordinary
improvements and the current municipal
expenses.

At the head of the list, under extraor-
dinary improvements, comes a request
for an appropriation of \$1,936,000, recom-
mended by the board of education as the
beginning of a project to put the Wash-
ington schools in proper physical shape.
The amount, according to Commissioner
Macfarland, would not be so large had
not the school estimates for buildings
and grounds been cut by Congress in the
past.

In addition to this item, there are a
number of others that must be taken care
of by extraordinary appropriation, as they
cannot come out of one year's revenue.
These items include \$750,000 for a high-
pressure fire protection system in the
heart of the city, \$355,350 for suburban
and trunk sewers, \$150,000 for railway
plants and terminal work, and \$100,000 for
chronic and convalescent wards on the
municipal hospital site.

For Water Supply Service.

The Anacostia basin improvement is
provided for by an appropriation of \$10,-
000 for the examination of the title ques-
tion, and \$10,000 is recommended for the
survey of an additional conduit from the
Great Falls, for a much needed addition
to the water-supply service of the city.

Later, when the Commissioners have
adopted a plan for the beautifying of
Rock Creek Park, considerable will be asked